

United States with respect to lands under the administration of the Forest Service be invested into interest bearing obligations, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–204);

H. Res. 838, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5314) to protect our democracy by preventing abuses of presidential power, restoring checks and balances and accountability and transparency in government, and defending elections against foreign interference, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (S. 1605) to designate the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the bill (S. 610) to address behavioral health and well-being among health care professionals (H. Rept. 117–205); and

H.R. 4616, to deem certain references to LIBOR as referring to a replacement benchmark rate upon the occurrence of certain events affecting LIBOR, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–206, Part 1). **Page H7260**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cárdenas to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6917**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:20 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H6919**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:12 p.m. and reconvened at 5:15 p.m. **Page H6920**

Recess: The House recessed at 6:14 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H6927**

Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act: The House passed S. 610, to address behavioral health and well-being among health care professionals, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 222 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 404. **Pages H6920–27, H6927–33, H7222**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117–22 shall be considered as adopted. **Pages H6928–29**

H. Res. 838, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 5314), (S. 1605), and (S. 610) was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 219 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 403, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nays vote of 218 yeas to 210 nays, Roll No. 402. **Pages H6920–27, H6927–28**

Designating the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida. The House passed S. 1605, to designate the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 363 yeas to 70 nays, Roll No. 405.

Pages H6933–H7222, H7223

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules

Committee Print 117–21 shall be considered as adopted. **Pages H6933–H7215**

H. Res. 838, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 5314), (S. 1605), and (S. 610) was agreed to by a yeas-and-nays vote of 219 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 403, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nays vote of 218 yeas to 210 nays, Roll No. 402. **Pages H6920–27, H6927–28**

Directing the Secretary of the Senate to make a correction in the enrollment of the bill S. 1605: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 64, directing the Secretary of the Senate to make a correction in the enrollment of the bill S. 1605. **Page H7223**

Expressing the profound sorrow of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Robert Joseph Dole: The House agreed to H. Res. 839, expressing the profound sorrow of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Robert Joseph Dole. **Pages H7223–24**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6927–28, H6928, H7222, and H7223.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:57 p.m., pursuant to House Resolution 839, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Robert Joseph Dole.

Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 1117, the “Rosie the Riveter National Historic Site Expansion Act”; H.R. 3525, the “Commission To Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of Asian Pacific American History and Culture Act”; and H.R. 5230, the “9/11 Memorial and Museum Act”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Nadler, and Representatives Meng, DeSaulnier, and Katko; Tom Butt, Mayor, Richmond, California; Theodore S. Gonzalves, Acting Director, Asian Pacific American Center, Smithsonian Institution; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE WORLDWIDE THREAT OF AL QAEDA, ISIS, AND OTHER FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing entitled “Examining the Worldwide Threat of al Qaeda, ISIS, and Other Foreign Terrorist Organizations”. Testimony

was heard from Christopher Landberg, Acting Principal Deputy Coordinator for Counterterrorism, Department of State; and Milancy Harris, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations and Combating Terrorism, Department of Defense.

PROTECTING OUR DEMOCRACY ACT; TO DESIGNATE THE NATIONAL PULSE MEMORIAL LOCATED AT 1912 SOUTH ORANGE AVENUE IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA; TO ADDRESS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING AMONG HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 5314, the “Protecting Our Democracy Act”; S. 1605, to designate the National Pulse Memorial located at 1912 South Orange Avenue in Orlando, Florida, and for other purposes [National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022]; and S. 610, to address behavioral health and well-being among health care professionals [Protecting Medicare and American Farmers from Sequester Cuts Act]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 5314, the “Protecting Our Democracy Act”, S. 1605, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022, and S. 610, the “Protecting Medicare and American Farmers from Sequester Cuts Act”. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 5314, the “Protecting Our Democracy Act”, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Oversight and Reform or their respective designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117–20, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides that following debate, each further amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report not earlier considered as part of amendments en bloc pursuant to section 3 shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time before the question is put thereon, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. Section 3 of the rule provides that at any time after debate the chair of the Committee on Oversight and Reform or her designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of further amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be

debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Oversight and Reform or their designees, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the report and amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule provides for consideration of S. 1605, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services or their respective designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117–21 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to commit. The rule provides that the chair of the Committee on Armed Services may insert in the Congressional Record not later than December 10, 2021, such material as he may deem explanatory of S. 1605. The rule provides for consideration of S. 610, the Protecting Medicare and American Farmers from Sequester Cuts Act, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means or their respective designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117–22 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to commit. The rule provides that at any time through the legislative day of Thursday, December 9, 2021, the Speaker may entertain motions offered by the Majority Leader or a designee that the House suspend the rules with respect to multiple measures that were the object of motions to suspend the rules on November 30, 2021, December 1, 2021, or December 8, 2021, and on which the yeas and nays were ordered and further proceedings postponed. The Chair shall put the question on any such motion without debate or intervening motion, and the ordering of the yeas and nays on postponed motions to suspend the rules with respect to such measures is vacated. Testimony was heard from Chairman Carolyn B. Maloney of New York, Chairman Nadler, Chairman Smith of Washington, Chairman Yarmuth, and Representatives Comer, Jordan, Rogers of Alabama, Sánchez, Rice of South Carolina, Dingell, Bucshon, Smith of Missouri, Garamendi, and Graves of Louisiana.

FOREVER CHEMICALS: RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOR ADDRESSING THE PFAS PROBLEM

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Environment; and Subcommittee on Research and Technology held a joint hearing entitled “Forever Chemicals: Research and Development for Addressing the PFAS Problem”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE FIERCE URGENCY OF NOW—SOCIAL SECURITY 2100: A SACRED TRUST

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing entitled “The Fierce Urgency of Now—Social Security 2100: A Sacred Trust”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Admiral Christopher W. Grady, USN for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Data Security, to hold hearings to examine protecting kids online, focusing on Instagram and reforms for young users, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine S. 2372, to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to make supplemental funds available for management of fish and wildlife species of greatest conservation need as determined by State fish and wildlife agencies, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider the nominations of Maria Louise Lago, of New York, to be Under Secretary for International Trade, and Lisa W. Wang, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Commerce, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the future of U.S. policy on Taiwan, 2:30 p.m., SD-G50/VTC.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine addressing violence in Native communities through VAWA Title IX special jurisdiction, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Kurt D. DelBene, of Washington,

to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Information and Technology), 3 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SVC-217.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Nutrition, Oversight, and Department Operations, hearing entitled “Review of USDA Nutrition Distribution Programs”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth and Zoom.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “The Future of Biomedicine: Translating Biomedical Research into Personalized Health Care”, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Digital Assets and the Future of Finance: Understanding the Challenges and Benefits of Financial Innovation in the United States”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, Central Asia, and Nonproliferation, hearing entitled “Biosecurity for the Future: Strengthening Deterrence and Detection”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3359, the “Homicide Victims’ Families’ Rights Act of 2021”; H.R. 4977, the “Better Cybercrime Metrics Act”; H.R. 55, the “Emmett Till Antilynching Act”; H.R. 5338, the “Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2021”; and H.R. 5796, the “Patents for Humanity Act of 2021”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled “Forfeiting our Rights: The Urgent Need for Civil Asset Forfeiture Reform”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “Promoting Economic and Community Redevelopment and Environmental Justice in the Revitalization and Reuse of Contaminated Properties”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “Removing Barriers to Veteran Home Ownership”, 10 a.m., HVC-210 and Zoom.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing entitled “The Pandora Papers and Hidden Wealth”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress, Full Committee, business meeting on proposed recommendations, 8:45 a.m., 210 Cannon and Zoom.

Select Committee on Economic Disparity and Fairness in Growth, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Growing our Economy by Investing in Families: How Supporting Family Caregiving Expands Economic Opportunity and Benefits All Americans”, 11 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.